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For : PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN EXTRACT WITH  
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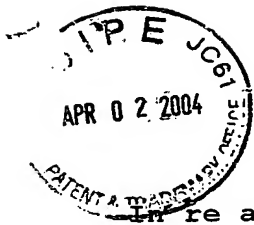
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SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted in connection with the above-identified application which is a divisional application of U.S. Serial No. 09/825,406 filed April 3, 2001, now U.S. Patent 6,669,994 issued December 30, 2003.

Please amend the subject application as follows:



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Transmitted herewith is a preliminary amendment to the above-identified application.

\_\_\_\_\_ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27  
has been established by a verified statement previously  
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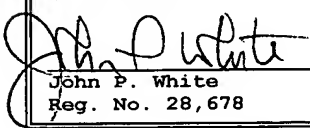
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